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Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed May 2, 2006. A petition to extend the response period to September 2, 2006 is being submitted concurrently herewith.

An Amendment of the above application is transmitted herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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